

# Rockland Veterinary Puppy Vaccine Schedule\*



Service	Schedule	Additional Information
<b>First Puppy Visit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fecal Sample</li> <li>• Deworming medication</li> <li>• First Distemper Vaccine</li> </ul>	8 weeks **	Vaccinating puppies prior to 8 weeks is usually not effective. Puppies have enough immunity from their mothers' to last them until their first appointment with us. Puppies require 3 distemper vaccines in total over an 8 week time period.
<b>Second Puppy Visit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fecal Sample</li> <li>• Dewormer</li> <li>• Second Distemper Vaccine</li> </ul>	12 weeks	A second fecal sample and dewormer are necessary to confirm that absence of intestinal parasites.
<b>Third Puppy Visit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Third Distemper Vaccine</li> <li>• Rabies Vaccine</li> </ul>	16 weeks	Did you know the the 'Distemper' vaccine is really a combination of four vaccines? With one vaccination, we protect against the following diseases: Distemper, Adenovirus (a kind of hepatitis virus), Parainfluenza (one of the viruses responsible for Kennel Cough) and Parvo (a potentially life threatening disease).
<b>Fourth Puppy Visit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Lyme Vaccine</li> <li>• First Leptospirosis Vaccine</li> </ul>	18 weeks	1 out of 8 dogs in Rockland County contract Lyme disease every year. Leptospirosis is more rare, but we vaccinate for it, because if your dog becomes infected, he can pass this life-threatening disease to you and your family
<b>Fifth Puppy Visit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Lyme Vaccine</li> <li>• First Leptospirosis Vaccine</li> </ul>	20 weeks	Don't forget to discuss your pet's spay or neuter procedure with our medical team at this visit.

\* Puppies are seen over a 20 week period starting at 8 weeks. This allows for the safe administration of 5 essential vaccines for dogs in our area: Distemper, Rabies, Leptospirosis, Lyme, and Bordetella (Kennel Cough).

\*\* If your puppy is older than 8 weeks, we will adjust the vaccine schedule to meet his or her specific needs.